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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LETELIER/MOFFITT ASSASSINATION INVESTIGATION

REF: A) 77 STATE 308205; B) 77 SANTIAGO 10380

1. U.S. ATTORNEY PROPPER HAS REQUESTED THAT YOU NOW
PROCEED WITH EFFORT TO IDENTIFY CHILEAN ATTORNEY WHO
WOULD ASSIST IN MATTER OF LETTERS ROGATORY. PROPPER
AND DEPT ARE IN AGREEMENT THAT YOU MAY AND SHOULD
CONSULT WITH DISCREET PERSONS SUCH AS BERNSTEIN WHO IN
YOUR JUDGEMENT CAN ADVISE ON QUALIFICATIONS OF LOCAL
ATTORNEYS.

2. IF YOU IDENTIFY A CANDIDATE, YOU MAY APPROACH HIM
AND INDICATE USG INTEREST IN RETAINING HIS SERVICES IN
CONNECTION WITH CASE. HE WOULD BE ASKED TO FOLLOW
LETTERS THROUGH COURT SYSTEM, KEEPING USG INFORMED OF
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EACH STEP AND ADVISING ON CHILEAN LAW AND PROCEDURE AS
REQUIRED. HE WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE EXPECTED TO REPRESENT
USG DIRECTLY IN TAKING OF TESTIMONY FROM WITNESSES. AS
STATED IN THE COVERING COMMUNICATION TO THE LETTERS, WE
WISH TO SEND PROPPER TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE
ACTUAL TAKING OF TESTIMONY.

3. DEPT OF JUSTICE IS PREPARED TO PAY APPROPRIATE
RETAINER. PLEASE ASK ATTORNEY TO INDICATE HIS REQUIRED
FEE.

4. IF SUCCESSFUL IN IDENTIFYING ONE OR MORE ATTORNEYS
WHO HAVE QUALIFICATIONS AND WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO
CONSIDER SUCH EMPLOYMENT, PLEASE CABLE NAMES AND DATA
RELATING TO LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION OF
DEPT OF JUSTICE. VANCE

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